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Appointment of examiners for the Secondary School-Leaving Certificate Examination.

* 1297 *Q.*—Mr. BASHEER AHMAD SAYEED: Will the hon. the Minister for Education and Local Self-Government be pleased to state—

(*a*) the number of Muslim pupils that appeared for the Secondary School-Leaving Certificate Examination in March 1927 and the number of pupils that passed the examination;

(*b*) the names of Urdu and Persian examiners for Secondary School-Leaving Certificate Examination with their qualifications;

(*c*) the principle under which these examiners are appointed and the amount of remuneration paid to them for valuation of each paper; and

(*d*) whether these examiners are recommended by the Secondary School-Leaving Certificate Board or by any educational authority, and if so, how many Muslims there are in the Secondary School-Leaving Certificate Board, and who the educational authority is?

A.—(*a*) 675; there is no 'passing' or 'failing' in the Secondary School-Leaving Certificate Public Examination.

(*b*) The information is confidential.

(*c*) Proficiency in the subject and experience in teaching. The amounts of remuneration paid for each paper are—

	RS.	A.	P.
Group A.			
Urdu composition and translation ($1\frac{3}{4}$ hours).	0	4	8
Urdu texts ($1\frac{1}{4}$ hours)	0	3	4
Persian texts ($1\frac{1}{4}$ hours)	0	4	2
Group C.			
Urdu (3 hours)	0	8	0
Persian (3 hours)	0	10	0

(*d*) Examiners are appointed by the Secondary School-Leaving Certificate Board; there is one Muhammadan member on the Board.

Urdu text-books for the Secondary School-Leaving Certificate course.

* 1298 *Q.*—Mr. BASHEER AHMAD SAYEED: Will the hon. the Minister for Education and Local Self-Government be pleased to state—

(*a*) under whose recommendation the Urdu text-books for Secondary School-Leaving Certificate are prescribed;

(*b*) whether it is a fact that as a matter of rule the Urdu 'A' group paper is sent to graduate teachers; and

(*c*) whether there is any up-to-date and complete syllabus of Urdu grammar compiled by the Secondary School-Leaving Certificate Board for the guidance of the Urdu munshis of high schools in the Presidency; and if ot, why not?